

HIV/AIDS Profile: Nicaragua

Demographic Indicators

Population (1,000s)	4,813	Growth Rate (%)	2.2
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000)		Life Expectancy	
Both Sexes	35	Both Sexes	69
Male	39	Male	67
Female	31	Female	71
Crude Birth Rate (per 1,000)	28	Crude Death Rate (per 1,000)	5
Percent Urban	63	Total Fertility Rate	3.3
Note: Above indicators are for 2000.			

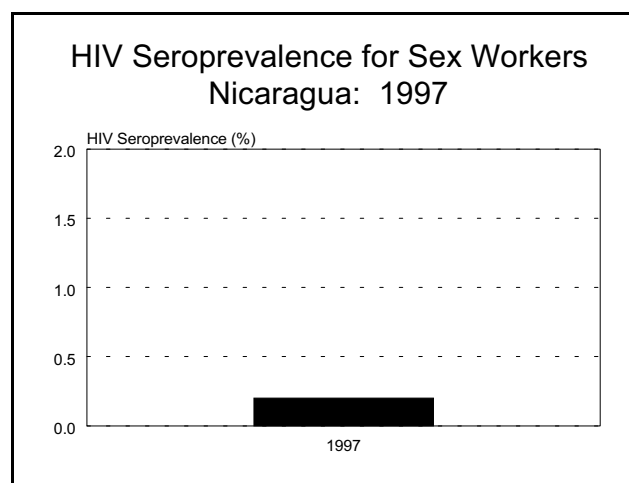
Estimated % of adults living with HIV/AIDS, end 1999	0.2 %		
Cumulative AIDS rate (per 1,000) as of 3/31/98	0.04		
Cumulative AIDS cases as of 3/31/98	180		
Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Reference Bureau, UNAIDS, World Health Organization.			

Epidemiological Data

Epidemic State: Concentrated

There are almost no data available on the HIV epidemic in Nicaragua. What are available pertain to sex workers. In 1997, HIV seroprevalence among this group was well below 1 percent.

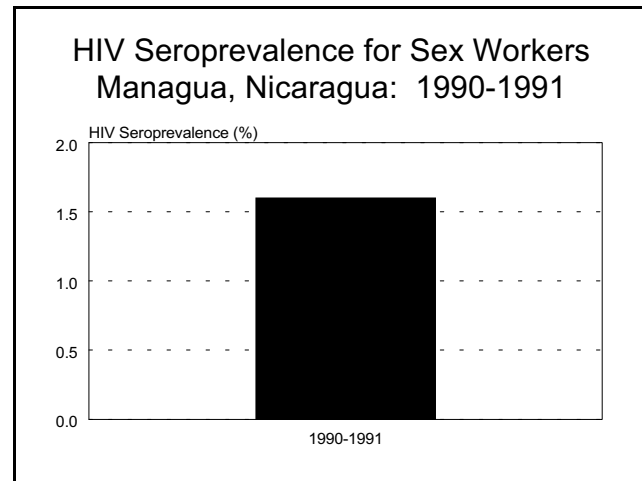
- In 1997, in an unspecified location in Nicaragua, HIV seroprevalence among sex workers tested was well below 1 percent.



Source: International Programs Center, Population Division, U.S. Census Bureau, HIV/AIDS Surveillance Data Base, June 2000.

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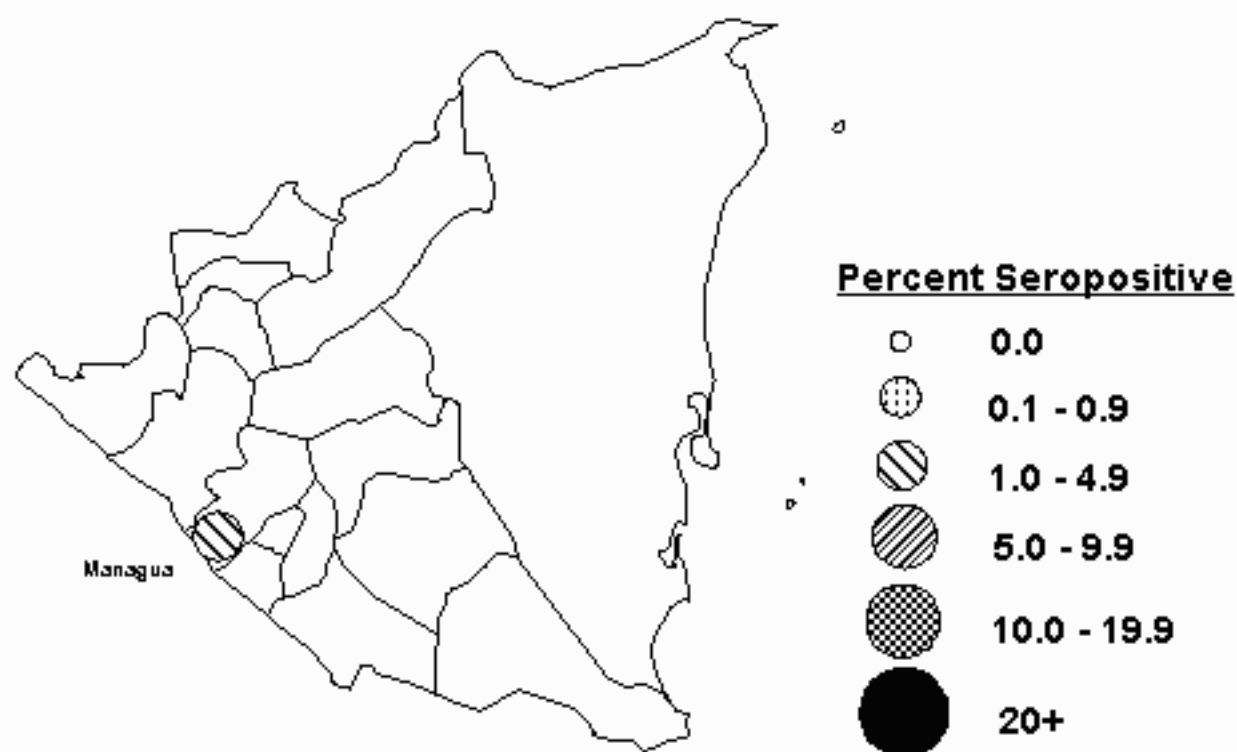
- In Managua, the capital, just over one and one-half percent of sex workers tested between 1990 and 1991 were HIV positive.



From 1989 to 1991, several thousand blood donors were tested for the HIV virus in Managua. These donors were 15 years of age and above. None of them were found to be HIV positive.

Seroprevalence of HIV-1 for Sex Workers

Nicaragua: 1990-1991



Sources for Nicaragua

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